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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:


In response to the Office Action of October 18, 2002, the applicant elects for purposes of examination only to proceed with the storage system claimed in claims 1-15 and 20-24. Applicant has made a diligent effort to place these claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Monika J. Hussell, Applicant's Attorney, at (304) 340-1197 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

For these reasons, and in view of the above amendments, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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